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**PATENT APPLICATION  
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Serial No. 09/509,853 Examiner: R. Stormer  
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Title: Wheel Balancing Device and Wheel Equipped with such a Device

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**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

To highlight the distinctions of the above referenced invention over the prior art as interpreted by the Examiner in the Office Action of July 16, 2002, Paper No. 21, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the Claims**

Kindly add Claims 29-34 and replace Claims 1, 15 and 16 with the following amended claims:

1. (Twice Amended) A balancing device for a tire mounted to a wheel,  
said balancing device comprising:

a case having at least one surface thereon;